

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants : Tokyo-to Akira Sano
Title: Method for the Management of Service Quality Information in Web Services
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Customer No. : 48,916

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Dear Sir:

Applicant is filing this Statement of Substance of Interview.

Date of Interview: November 9, 2009
Type of Interview: Telephonic
Participants: Shawki Ismail, Primary Examiner
Esther Benoit, Examiner
Gregory K. Goshorn, Attorney for Applicants
Exhibits Shown: None
Prior Art Discussed: Zhang et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 7,177,862)
Sedukhin (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2004/0030627)

Agreement Reached?: Yes and No

Summary of Arguments: Neither Zhang nor Sedukhin suggest transmitting Quality of Service (QoS) information to a service requestor.

Summary of Interview: Examiners agreed that Sedukin, which is relied upon for the element, seems to only transmit QoS information to a management consol and agreed to look into the issue. Examiners stated that only claim 24 includes this limitation. However, Applicants submitted in a follow-up conversation with Examiner Benoit that claims 8 and 27 also includes the limitation.

If there are any fees associated with the filing of this Statement of Substance of Interview, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of International Business Machines Corporation, Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 19, 2009

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